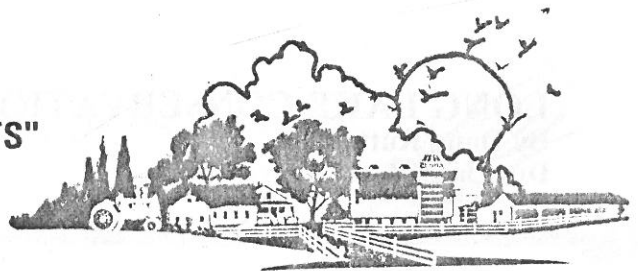


## JERRY AND VIRGINIA MORICAL ARE 1995 "OUTSTANDING CONSERVATIONISTS"

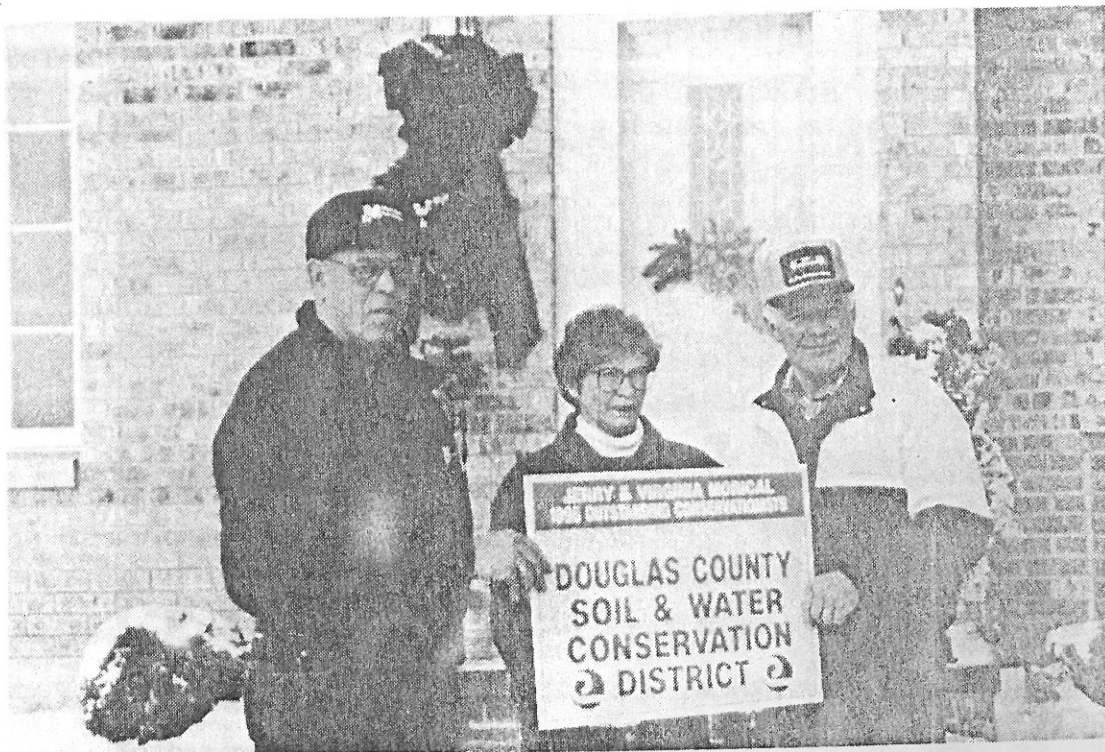
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Jerry and Virginia Morical were chosen as the 1995 "Outstanding Conservationists" by the Douglas SWCD Board of Supervisors. The Morical's showcase farm is located in the hills, prairies, trees and lakes of central Douglas County, two miles SW of Garfield, MN. Jerry and Virginia were selected for this award due to the outstanding job that they have done in applying conservation practices on their land, such as an 8-row farmstead shelterbelt, ag-waste management, field windbreaks, terraces and sediment blocks, residue management and crop rotations.

Pride of family, home and farm are evident wherever you look on the Morical farm. A fully restored log cabin also sits nestled in the trees, where many species of wildlife from hummingbirds to white-tail deer stop to visit.

The Morical's were also recognized for leadership and involvement in community activities, including church board, elevator board, telephone board, the County Pork Producers, the "Care Connection" friends of the Alexandria Technical College, 4-H, and founding membership in the Viking Sportsmen Club. They also served as the 1993 host for the National Farm & Ranch Management Educators, the host farm for the Chamber of Commerce "Business to Farm Tour" and the "Communicating for Agriculture" Exchange Student Host.



(L. to R.) Jerome Ledermann, SWCD Supervisor, Virginal and Jerry Morical, 1995 "Outstanding Conservationists".